

**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL**

**NOTICE OF GENERAL PUBLIC INTEREST**

**REVISION OF SOUTH CAROLINA MODELING GUIDELINES FOR AIR QUALITY PERMITS**

Statutory Authority: S.C. Code Sections 48-1-10 et seq.

The South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control (Department or DHEC) is publishing this Notice of General Public Interest to provide opportunity to comment on the Department's proposal to revise the Modeling Guidelines for Air Quality Permits guidance document. This guidance outlines the procedures used to address the requirements demonstrating a facility's emissions will not interfere with the attainment or maintenance of any ambient air quality standard as required under Regulation 61-62.1, Definitions and General Requirements, Section II(C)(3), and Regulation 61-62.5, Air Pollution Control Standards, Standard No. 7(k). The document will be maintained by the Department and is posted for review on the DHEC website at:

<http://www.scdhec.gov/Apps/Environment/PublicNotices/SearchAndDisplay/Display/8589>.

To be considered, the Department must receive comments by 5:00 p.m. on August 27, 2018, the close of the comment period.

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**Synopsis:**

The Department has drafted changes to the state modeling guidance. Permittees use this guidance to develop modeling included in their submitted permit applications prior to obtaining required permits necessary to construct and operate sources of air pollutant emissions. The revisions will update this guidance to conform to changes in South Carolina-specific procedures for addressing compliance with ambient air quality standards, as well as changes adopted when the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) updated The Guideline on Air Quality Models (Appendix W), effective on May 22, 2017. The Department will consider comments submitted before finalizing the Modeling Guidelines and will post the final guidance on the DHEC website.